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Winnfield, La.

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OUR SAINTED DEAD

"These All Died in the Faith "

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yes, saith the spirit, they may rest from their labors ; and their works do follow them."

David Allen Boddie

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MINISTERIAL ROLL

Name	Address
Brown, G. J. L.,	Ball, La.
Bartlett, Mrs. Mary E.,	Atlanta, Texas
Brady, Mrs. S. A.,	Monroe, La.
Beville, Mrs. Arah,	Monroe, La.
Corely, E. W.,	Holloway, La.
Dennard, E. A.,	Gibsland, La.
Downs, J. R.,	West Monroe, La.
Dunn, W. S.,	Glenella, La.
Ezell, A. T.,	Jena, La.
Fowler, W. P.,	Oak Grove, La.
Fordham, W. F.,	Winsboro, La.
Futrell, F. C.,	
Deville, B.,	Heflin, La.
Hearn, O. E.,	Chatam, La.
Hearn, J. C.,	Grayson, La.
Hearn, J. F.,	R. F. D., Grayson, La.
Holt, J. A.,	Atlanta, Texas
Griffin, B. F.,	Queen City, Texas
Johnson, Mrs. Ada,	Delhi, La., R. F. D.
Jones, V. O.,	Doyline, La.
Little, J. Chessley,	Queen City, Texas
Lewis, J. H.,	Rochelle, La.
Lee, J. W.,	Grayson, La.
Mouser, Enoch M.,	Ansley, La.
Murrell, J. F.,	Sykes, La.
Owen, J. M.,	Emerson, Ark.
Ponder, D. T.,	Eros, La.
Patton, I. A.,	Pollock, La.
Perdue, Mrs. Mary E.,	Atlanta, Texas
Riley, J. A.,	Trout, La.
Reid, J. F.,	Winnfield, La.
Shows, F. Lyman,	Jonesboro, La.
Stewart, O. W.,	Pollock, La.
Swazze, L. H.,	Monroe, La.
Smart, P. A.,	Chatam, La.
Terry, John W.,	R. F. D. 2, Choudrant, La.
Hamby, H. A.,	Winnfield, La.
Wardlow, Mrs. Lula,	Montgomery, La.
Williams, J. A. D.,	James, Texas
Deville, A.,	Downsville, La.

THIRD YEAR

Harris, W. W.,	Fouke, Ark.
Little, Lawrence C.,	5 Fenger Bldg., Chattanooga, Tenn.
Strozier, J. R.,	Jena, La.
Strozier, J. M.,	Jena, La.

SECOND YEAR

Cherry, H. A.,	Oil City, La.
Methvin, W. T.,	Winfield, Kan.
Cantley, H. H.,	Spring Hill, La.
Smith, D. W.,	Hinton, La.

FIRST YEAR

Odum, J. T.,	Queen City, Texas
Honeycutt, T. A.,	Pugh, Ark.
Johnson, D. S.,	Delhi, La.
Parsons, J. C.,	Chatham, La.
Dobbs, C. R.,	Arcadia, La.

SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS

Austin, A. G.,	Bossier City, La.
Mason, W. P.,	Randolph, La.
Platt, W. M.,	Ouichita, La.

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

Long, Miss Mattie,	Dhulia, W. Khandish, India
Williams, Miss Florence,	Dhulia W. Khandish, India

LAY REPRESENTATIVES

Warner, Prof. J. N.,	Pollock, La.
Roberts, Y. A.,	Monroe, La.
Cathey, Mrs. J. D.,	Arcadia, La.
Overstreet, L. J.,	Ansley, La.
Griggs, J. W.,	Ball, La.
Jones, W. F.,	Jena, La.
Shaw, C. A.,	Montgomery, La.
Hughen, G. W.,	Chatam, La.

Garlington, H. S.,	Holloway, La.
Griffin, Mrs. Jessie	Queen City, Texas
Cady, D. W.,	Antioch Cir.
Fudge, James,	Luna, La.
Clark, J. D.,	Downsville, La.
McKeithen, J. W.,	Grayson, La.
Keown, L. C.,	Rockey Mt., La.
Gibbs, Miss Alice,	Shreveport, La.
Dunn, H. L.,	Glenella, La.
Head, Jno. M.,	Luna, La.
Nolley, Mrs. J. J.,	Winnfield, La.
Brown, Mrs. M. B.,	Sunrise church
Henderson, Mrs. Fannie,	Damascus church

THE JOURNAL

The Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant church assembled for the Seventy-third Annual Session November the 14th, 1919, at Jonesboro, La., President Enoch M. Mouser presiding.

The President read the 1st chapter of First Corinthians for the scriptural lesson, and after engaging in earnest prayer declared the Conference open for business.

Secretary called the roll, and by motion the Conference bar was fixed and all visitors were introduced and invited to honorary seats.

Secretary read letters from Drs. Lyman Davis and Chas. H. Beck, and by motion the letter from Dr. Davis was ordered to be recorded upon the pages of our Conference Journal and the letter from Dr. Beck was referred to the committee on finance.

The President submitted his report and by motion said report was referred to the committee on pastors' reports.

Upon motion the 2:30 hour was the time set apart for Rev. Hambric and Dr. J. C. Williams to address the Conference.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference called to order by the President. Devotional services by Rev. E. A. Dennard.

Upon motion the Conference was dissolved into an electoral college for the purpose of electing delegates to the General Conference, and by motion the chair appointed W. W. McDonald chairman and Mrs. Lula Wardlaw secretary and E. O. Hearn, F. Lyman Shows and E. A. Dennard judges of the election. After the final vote was taken Mrs. Mary E. Bartlett was declared elected as the ministerial representative and Rev. J. W. Lee alternate. Prof. J. W. Warner was declared elected as lay representative, and W. W. McDonald alternate.

By motion the electoral college was dissolved and the Conference resumed the regular order of business.

At this time Dr. J. C. Williams and Rev. Hambric ad-

dressed the Conference, and by motion a rising vote of thanks was tendered these distinguished gentlemen.

The order of the day having arrived the Conference entered into the election of officers. The Chair appointed Prof. J. N. Warner, A. W. Stewart and B. F. Griffin as tellers of the election. After the final vote was taken Rev. E. M. Mouser was declared re-elected president.

Upon motion the Chair was authorized to cast the Conference ballot for the re-election of Mrs. M. E. Perdue as Conference Secretary.

Upon motion the secretary was authorized to cast the Conference ballot for the re-election of W. W. McDonald as Conference Steward.

Upon motion Rev. H. A. Hamby was elected Statistical Secretary.

After the announcement of the various committees motion prevailed to adjourn.

MORNING SESSION

Second Day

Conference called to order by the President. Roll called and corrected.

By motion the 2 p. m. hour was the time set apart for Dr. Dixon to address the Conference.

The reports of all Conference Missionaries and Evangelists were submitted and adopted.

Secretary read the report of Rev. J. W. Terry and by motion the Conference endorsed the work of Bro. Terry as the organizer of the Purity League.

Rev. L. H. Swazzee, manager of the Home of the Good Samaritan, submitted his report, which was adopted.

Rev. J. R. Downs, rescue missionary, made a verbal report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the names of D. T. Ponder and Lonnie Guinn were referred to the committee on official character.

V. O. Jones made a verbal report, which was adopted, as was also the verbal report submitted for O. W. Stewart by Dr. Dixon.

At this time Rev. Hart of the Texas Conference, M. E. Church South, was introduced to the Conference.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Second Day

Conference called to order by the President. Devotional services by Rev. A. T. Ezell.

Secretary of the ministerial relief fund submitted report, which was adopted.

The order of the day having arrived Dr. Dixon addressed the Conference, after which an offering was taken to cover the balance due on our pledge for the "Old People's Home."

Upon motion the Conference agreed to enter heartily into the "Finish Up Drive," of the million dollar campaign December 1st to the 22nd was the time set apart for this special work.

Committee on official character submitted their report and by motion the name of Lonnie Guinn was ordered dropped from the Conference Roll, and the names of John T. Smith, D.T. Ponder and A. Deville were referred to the President for investigation.

Committee on periodicals submitted their report, which was adopted.

Committee on temperance submitted report, which was adopted.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

MORNING SESSION

Third Day

Conference called to order by the President. Devotional services by Rev. J. A. Riley. Roll call omitted.

Secretary read the report of Rev. Lawrence C. Little, which was adopted.

Upon motion Mrs. Lucy Shipp was seated as delegate from Antioch circuit.

Committee on finance submitted report, which was adopted.

Committee on pastor's reports submitted report, which was adopted.

It was moved and carried to appoint place for the setting of the next Annual Conference. Monroe, Winnfield and Courtland church on the Queen City circuit were placed

in nomination. After the vote was taken Courtland was declared the place, and upon motion it was ordered that the Conference convene Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1920.

Upon motion Rev. H. A. Hamby was elected to preach the introductory sermon at the next sitting of the Conference.

By motion the chair was empowered to appoint some one to fill the vacancy of Rev. L. C. Little as president of the Christian Endeavor.

Committee on Sabbath observance submitted their report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the church at Arcadia was ordered sold and the Conference ordered that the proceeds of this sale be used to build a church at Bethlehem and repair the parsonage of the Arcadia circuit.

Upon motion the resolution introduced by Prof. J. N. Warner was adopted.

Committee on By-Laws and Rules of Order recommended that no change be made. Adopted.

Committee on itineracy and orders submitted their report.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

Benediction by the President.

This closed the Seventy-third Annual Session of the Louisiana District of the Methodist Protestant church.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Seventy-third Session of the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Dear Brethren and Sisters—Greetings:

The circumstances under which I have labored this year have been most trying. First, there has been a great deal of sickness. Second, the almost unceasing rains have been a great hinderance. Yet I have tried as best I could to carry out the will of the Conference in visiting the churches and trying to encourage and instruct the people everywhere. I am gratified to report that though this has been a hard year for us all, that our people are not so badly discouraged as would appear. With just a little more push and courage on the part of our preachers we can tide over

all right. However, it will be difficult for our pastors to put more service into the work unless they are more amply supported. This must be done or we are at the breaking point as a Conference. I exhort every delegate to keep this one fact in mind and do not fail to talk it wherever you go and put forth an effort to get our pastors' salaries increased to double what they have been.

Though we had a hard year I feel safe in reporting to you that we are holding our own.

Official Acts

On January 10th I appointed Rev. A. Deville pastor of Mt. Nebo church.

January 17th I released Rev. J. M. Strozier as associate pastor of Arcadia circuit.

On January 20th I granted letters of standing to Rev. W. T. Methvin.

May the 17th I released Rev. J. H. Lewis as pastor of Winnfield church.

May the 18th I appointed Rev. L. C. Little pastor of Winnfield church.

On May the 25th I released Rev. B. Deville from Antioch church on Spring Lake circuit.

June the 18th I released Rev. E. O. Hearn from Rice circuit.

On July the 20th I released Rev. L. C. Little as pastor of Hicks circuit and also from Winnfield church.

On September the 15th I appointed Rev. F. C. Futrell pastor of Hicks circuit, leaving Winnfield unsupplied.

October the 13th Rev. W. O. Tisdale, by request, was transferred to the Texas Conference.

In early summer I received letter from Rev. W. T. Methvin requesting that he be continued as a member of this Conference, and that when he finished school that he would return home.

Let us all take courage and press the battle harder than ever before. Our opportunities are great and we can do the work if we will.

This is a most trying time for the church everywhere, but a time when the church is most needed by the world. Let us go to the rescue of a lost world, and as the Methodist

Protestant church we must do our part; and let us feel as a Conference that we have a great part to do in this great mission.

Recommendations

That we put forth every effort to revive our churches everywhere, and that we live up to the great campaign now on to bring about a great ingathering of souls. Let the Louisiana Conference keep time with the great forward movement in our church, both to raise a million dollars during the four years now coming swiftly to a close and to increase our membership twenty-five per cent.

Again let me beg that somehow our pastors shall be better supported, so that they may be more able to take care of the work assigned them.

I wish to tender my thanks to the Conference for honors bestowed upon me, and I assure you that I have endeavored to be true to my trust. I have tried to carry out the wishes of the Conference to the best of my ability, and if there is anything left undone it has only been an oversight on my part.

May God richly bless and prosper the Conference. I feel that I have had honors enough for awhile at least, and I hope that you may see fit to bestow this great honor upon some moreworthy brother than myself.

Faternally, E. M. MOUSER.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD

President's Salary paid	\$1,375.47
India Mission	570.48
General Conference	154.20
Church Extension	30.84
Conference Secretary	30.84
Printing Minutes	61.68
Superannuates	117.42
Young People's Work	15.42
Stationery, etc.,	10.00

Respectfull submitted,
W. W .McDONALD,
Conference Steward.

CHURCH EXTENSION

We, the Church Extension Board of the Louisiana Conference, submit the following report:

Previously reported	\$447.86
Received from Conference Stedard.....	30.84

Balance on hand.....	\$478.70
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A. W. STEWART, Sec.-Treas.

F. Lyman Shows, J. W. Lee, E. O. Hearn, W. W. McDonald.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE HOME OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Financial Report, Conference Year 1919.

Amounts received Nov. 17, 1918, to Nov. 14, 1919:

Brother J. R. Downs.....	\$810.00
Brother Ezell	5.00
Brother Prithard	10.00
Brother Shehan	5.00
Sister Lula Wardlow	8.00
Bro. H .P. Blakley and wife.....	75.00
Collected	720.00
Home Industry	400.00
City of Monroe	300.00
Ouachita Parish	120.00

W. W. McDonald, one ton hay

Total	\$2,453.00
Bills Paid	\$2,135.20
Unpaid Bills	215.00 2,350.00
Balance over	\$102.00

PASTORS' REPORTS

We, your committee on pastors' reports have examined the reports of all the pastors and recommend that same be received as submitted.

We further recommend that the President's report be adopted as read. Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. M. E. Bartlett, B. F. Griffine, J. F. Reid.

COMMITTEES

Divine Worship

J. C .Hearn, Wm. Kavannah.

Official Character

E. A. Dennard, F. C .Futrell, Mrs. Ada Johnson.

Pastors' Reports

B. F. Griffin, Mrs. M. E .Bartlett, J. F. Reid.

Periodicals

Mrs. Lula Wardlow, B. F .Griffin, Mrs. J. D .Cathey.

By-Laws and Rules of Order

M. W. Griffin, Mrs. J. D. Cathey.

Sabbath Observance

Mrs. S. A .Brady, J. A. Holt, Mrs. Jessie Griffin.

Million Dollar Campaign

Prof. J. N. Warner, Mrs. M. E. Bartlett, Mrs. Lula Wardlow.

Temperance

J. A. Riley, Y. A .Roberts, Miss Alice Gibbs.

Education

H. A .Hamby, Mrs. Arah Beville, Prof. J. N. Warner.

Thanks

B. Deville, Mrs. J. J. Nolley.

Missions

J. W .Lee, A. W. Stewart, L. J. Overstreet.

Finance

W. W .McDonald, Mrs. M. E .Bartlett, A. W .Stewart,
J. W. Lee.

Standing District Committee

J. W. Lee, G. B. Haynes, W. W .McDonald, E. A. Den-
nard, L. J. Overstreet.

Iteneracy and Orders

H. A. Hamby, J. W. Lee, E. W .Corley.

Boârd of the Home of the Good Samaritan

W. W .McDonald, G. B. Haynes, A. W .Stedart, J. W.
McKeithen, Y. A. Roberts.

Church Extension

A. W. Stewart, F. Lyman Shows, E. O. Hearn, W. W.
McDonald, J. W .Lee.

PERSONAL LETTER FROM DR. LYMAN E. DAVIS

Pittsburg, Pa., October 24, 1919.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

With my greetings and my benediction to you all, I desire to present for your earnest consideration a few enterprises important to our denominational future.

First of all, I rejoice with you in the successful progress of our Million Dollar Campaign, which has already advanced four-fifth of the way toward the goal. But this glorious campaign for the kingdom must be continued, not only until the aggregate sum of one million dollars has been raised for our Boards and Institutions, but until all Conferences, including every circuit and station, have done their part and have reaped the honor and the good of having done their part in this great movement. I desire to urge, in addition to the conclusion of the million dollar drive, a two-fold plan of campaign for the immediate future;

1. A country-wide evangelistic campaign, beginning as soon as possible after the next session of the annual Conference and covering every section of the church throughout the coming year, with the hope of reaching the goal of 25% increase in membership by the next General Conference, but most of all for the purpose of upbuilding the Kingdom of Christ in every circuit and station of our beloved Zion. My suggestion as to this country-wide evangelistic campaign was unanimously endorsed by the Executive Committee and the committee also approved a suggestive plan for the campaign as offered by the Forward Movement Commission in connection with the denominational secretaries.

2. A financial campaign in behalf of our superannuated ministers throughout the whole denomination, making this the very next forward movement in the financial field after the close of our Million Dollar Drive. Our very next financial obligation is to our superannuated ministers; and this campaign should be pushed, both through the National Preachers' Aid Society, organized at Zanesville, and through the various Annual Conference societies. In this connection also and as a part of the same movement, the attention of the whole denomination must be called to the need of the pastors now in service as well as to the needs of those who are superannuated; and the minimum salary, together with the average salary, should be set high enough

to place our ministry on a par with those of other denominations.

With my loving benediction upon you all and praying for the presence of the Holy Spirit in pentacostal measure upon every pastor and people throughout your Conference, I remain,
Your fellow worker in the Kingdom,
LYMAN E. DAVIS.

HOLINESS OR ENTIRE SANCTIFICATION

By Mrs. Mary E. Bartlett at Winnfield, La., 1914—

Whereas, Our Discipline says: "In 1729, two young men in England, reading the Bible, saw they could not be saved without holiness, followed after, and incited others so to do, and in 1837 they saw likewise that men are justified before they are sanctified."

Whereas, All our books on Doctrine, in the course of study for our young preachers, teach this Bible truth, of entire sanctification, clearly and emphatically.

Whereas, This Doctrine is a Bible truth, taught in the Bible from Genesis to Revelations, be it therefore

Resolved by the Louisiana Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, That we affirm our faith and confidence in the Methodist Protestant church in her loyalty to the doctrine of holiness as a second definite work of grace, and her attitude toward those seeking the higher life, and that we invite the co-operation of all those who hold this truth in wisdom, to unite with us in spreading scriptural holiness over these lands.

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Prof. J. N. Warner, who moved its adoption, and it being duly seconded by Rev. A .G. Austin and placed before the Conference by President Mouser, was unanimously adopted and so declared by the chair:

Whereas the indebtedness resting upon the property in the city of Monroe, La., known as the Home of the Good Samaritan has been paid in full, and as the ownership of this property rests in the hands of the Louisiana Conference, Methodist Protestant church,

Therefore be it resolved, That we, the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant church, now in the seventy-third session in Jonesboro, La., this 17th day of November, 1919, authorize and instruct Rev. E. M. Mouser, the duly elected president of this Conference, to make deed to the said property to Rev. L. H. Swazzee, the chairman of the Board of Trustees and their successors in office, and to make just such deed to the said L. H. Swazzee and to his successors in office as the said Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant church now holds.

QUESTIONS ON M. P. CHURCH

When was the Methodist Protestant church organized?
In the year 1828.

From what church did most of its members come?
The Methodist Episcopal church.

Why did they leave that church? Because they believed in a representative government, a church government of the people, by the people and for the people.

Is the Methodist Protestant church older than the Methodist Episcopal Church South? It is by more than a dozen years.

Why did the M. E. South leave the M. E. Church?
Because of the agitation over slavery.

Was there a layman officially seated in the General Conference which divided the Methodist Episcopal Church?
No there was not.

Are laymen now given full rights in the M. E. South?
They are not.

Did Methodist Protestant also divide on the slavery question? They did.

Are they still divided? They are not, having united in 1877.

Are they the only large church that has thus united?
They are.

What may be said of the spirituality of the Methodist Protestant Church? They are a very religious people and believe in holiness of life.

What may be said of their church government? It is

more like the United States government than any other church.

Do laymen have equal rights with ministers? They most certainly do.

How are pastors stationed? By a committee chosen by the Annual Conference who take into consideration the wishes of the people, the wishes of the minister and the welfare of the charge.

May a minister appeal from the decision of the stationing committee? He may to the entire Conference, but I never saw anyone appeal.

Who represents the charge in choosing a pastor and all other matters before the Annual Conference? A lay delegate elected by said charge who has equal voice and vote.

Who said the Methodist Protestant government and usages were like those of the United States? Ex-President Roosevelt.

What stand does the M. P. church take on education? It stands for education because it contends that self government demands trained men and women.

Name some of its educational institutions Westminster Theological Seminary, Western Maryland College, Adrian College, Kansas City University, Westminster College, Pine Ridge Industrial School.

What are some of its other institutions and agencies? Old People's Home, Home of the Aged, Orphans Home and the great official organs, "The Methodist Recorder" and "The Methodist Protestant."

What other work is the church doing? Home Mission work in many fruitful fields, Foreign Mission work in Japan, China and India.

What has it in Japan? Thirty-two native preachers, five schools and more than a thousand students and more than two thousand members.

What important thing shows progressive movement in the church. The Million Dollars to be realised for Missions and Education during this year.

Has the Methodist Protestant church a mission in America? It has.

What is its mission? To show the Christian world a real democracy in church government.

Is this message being heeded? It certainly is for there is an outcry in Episcopal Methodism for lay rights and women's rights. There is a movement everywhere for democracy in church affairs.

What is the Bible Motto of Methodist Protestants? "One is your Master even Christ and all ye are brethren."—Matt. 23:8.

Why is the Methodist Protestant church gripping the people as never before? First, because of its democracy, then it is alive, awake and going. Besides this it is a religious church and one that does not compromise with the devil.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Education

We your committee on education, beg leave to submit the following report:

There is a marked degree of progress in every line of endeavor today and only that institution can long survive that is able to cope with the obstacles thrown in the way. As a church we are no exception to this rule. Although we have the same loving Father as had the Saints of old, though we are redeemed by the same precious blood, and are traveling toward the same final abode, yet, there are problems confronting us today that they never had to solve. To face these problems we must become better acquainted with the weapons we have the privilege of using. The more efficient we become in the use of these weapons, the more easily will the enemy be overcome. To met the great responsibilities our work for the Master has placed upon us, we need better preparation. We need education. Before our church looms a greater future, a greater sphere of usefulness, if we take advantage of the wonderful opportunities God has so graciously given us. With the means of a greater preparation, a greater efficiency within our grasp, let us not fail to make the most of it.

We heartily endorse the work our institutions of learning are doing, and especially that of our nearest, Westmin-

ster College. Let us give it our heartiest support and pledge our earnest co-operation in its fight for an educated ministry.

We recommend that an assessment be made by our Committee on Finance for Westminster College, and that each pastor within the bounds of this Conference fully present its needs to his several classes.

We further recommend that each minister within the Conference put forth a greater effort to place more and better reading matter in the homes of his people, and it is suggested that a library suitable to the needs of each class be procured and kept in the church building for the constant use of minister and laity.

We also recommend that this Annual Conference take immediate action to secure a Circulating Library, to be supported by and used by both ministers and laity; that the Chair be given the power to appoint a Committee to formulate plans for securing this library, same committee to make report during the sitting of this Annual Conference.

It is further recommended that a stricter observance of our prescribed course of study be given by our undergraduates. We are going into the battle today with great responsibilities and great opportunities. Let us go better equipped, better ready to meet the struggle that lies out before us. Let us as a church "study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the work of truth." To the extent that we do, we shall be blessed as a people and as a denomination by our Heavenly Father.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. HAMBY,
MRS. ARAH BEVILLE,
PROF. J. N. WARNER.

Missions

We, your committee, feel there is no greater work of the church than that of missions.

And we are fully convinced that when this part of the work becomes neglected the entire church suffers.

Therefore we recommend that our people become awakened along the line of missions, and bestir themselves

and take advantage of the great opportunities that are being presented to us as a church and Conference in carrying forth this "Glorious Gospel" unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

Therefore, we recommend that this Conference raise \$1,000 for the support of four Special Mission Work in India.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. LEE,

L. J. OVERSTREET,

A. W. STEWART.

Finance

We, your committee, recommend that our President's salary be fixed at the sum of \$1,500 per annum. To meet this assessment each charge shall be assessed according to their ability.

To cover all other claims each member of the church 15 years and over shall be assessed one dollar.

The Conference Claim assessment must be collected by the pastor and stewards and sent direct to W. W. McDonald, Conference Steward, Monroe La., Motor Rt. A South, and shall be apportioned as follows:

40 per cent. General Conference Claims.

10 per cent Church Extension.

15 per cent Conference Secretary.

20 per cent Printing Minutes and Postage.

10 per cent Superannuated Claims.

5 per cent Young People's Work.

We further recommend that each of our members adopt a systematic plan of tithing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. McDONALD,

MRS. M. E. BARTLETT,

A. W. STEWART,

J. W. LEE.

Official Character

We, your committee, submit this, our report:

Complaints have been brought before this committee against the following persons:

Rev. Jno. T. Smith, charged with swearing and getting drunk.

.... Rev. D. T. Ponder, charged with non-attendance to Annual Conference and using tobacco.

Rev. A. Deville, non-payment of debts or any satisfactory arrangement concerning same.

We, your committee, recommend that our President appoint a committee to investigate and deal accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. DENNARD,
MRS. ADA JOHNSON,
F. C. FUTRELL.

Iteneracy and Orders

We, your committee, recommend that F. C. Futrell, S. C. Prichett, B. Deville, J. F. Murrell and V. O. Jones having passed the required course of study, be elceted to Elder's orders.

2nd. That J. R. Shrozier, L. C. Little, J. M. Shrozier be passed to the third year.

3rd. That W. T. Methvin, D. W. Smith, H. H. Cantley be passed to the second year.

4th. That W. W. Harris having failed to report be retained in the third year.

H. A. Cherry having failed to report be retained in the second year.

D. S. Johnson and J. T. Oden also be retained in the first year.

We further recommend that C. R. Dobbs and J. C. Parsons be received into the Conference and placed in the first year's course of study.

Respectfully submitted,

F. LYMAN SHOWS,
J. W. LEE.

Sabbath Observance

Whereas, there is a tendency of this age to overlook God's plain command, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Be it resolved that we as a Christian church endeavor by the grace of God to do more during the next year to bring about a greater observance of the Sabbath than ever before.

Believing that Sabbath desecration in its present form is one of the worst hinderances to the spread of Christ's

kingdom, we urge everyone to work and pray to this end.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HOLT,
MRS. S. A. BRADY,
MRS. JESSIE GRIFFIN.

Periodicals

Inasmuch as the trend of the age is downward and there is continually pouring through the printing presses books, papers and magazines that are poisonous to the moral character of our young people, and

Whereas, the homes are being bountifully supplied with such literature, we deem it necessary to urge every pastor to see that the young people on his charge be amply supplied with good clean wholesome literature that will help develop their spiritual life and give them higher ideals.

We also recommend that every pastor and family of the Methodist Protestant church subscribe for one of our church organs, The Methodist Protestant or Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LULA WARDLOW,
M. V. GRIFFIN,
D. S. JOHNSON.

Temperance

We have more than ever to thank God for as we see the great progress that is being made in the cause of temperance.

Let us, with the great army enlisted in this glorious cause, continue to work and pray until this world wide curse of strong drink has been swept from the earth.

As a Conference we again put ourselves on record as being against all intoxicants, tobacco in all its forms, together with all other evils that might be classed as intemperance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. RILEY,
Y. A. ROBERTS,
MISS ALICE GIBBS.

Gratitude and Thanks

Whereas, the Methodist Protestant church of Jonesboro, La., has given to the Louisiana Conference a hearty and cordial invitaton to hold their seventy-third annual session in their midst, and

Whereas, pastor and people have given us a cordial welcome and the town has taken every precaution to see that the Conference was well entertained and provided with every comfort,

Be it resolved that we hereby express our gratitude and thanks to the pastor and people of Jonesboro for their hospitality and manifest kindness.

Be it resolved that we as a Conference ask Our Father's richest blessings upon the church and people of Jonesboro, and that we all together finally receive the reward of the faithful.

Respectfully submitted,

A. DEVILLE,

MRS. J. J. NOLLEY.

APPOINTMENTS

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Pollock	Pollock Winnfield	H. A. Hamby
Monroe	Monroe	Mrs. Arah Beville
Jonesboro	Jonesboro Ansley Center Point Antioch Mt. Temple Evergreen	F. Lyman Shows
Rice	Zora Mt. Pleasant Chatam Dodson Concord	J. T. Parsons
Antioch	Head's School H'se Luna Walnut Grove Union Grove	B. Deville
New Hope	New Hope Sardis Pine Hill Oak Grove	J. F. Murrell
Arcadia	Arcadia Saline Spring Hill Cross Roads Bethlehem Providence	E. A. Dennard

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Pleasant Hill	Ursary's Chapel Pleasant Hill Lewis Chapel Damascus	J. H .Lewis
Queen City	Courtland Oil City Terry's Chapel Knight's Bluff	B. F. Griffin
Bela	Bela Taylor's Chapel Rochelle Jena	A. T .Ezell
Hicks	Couley Atlanta Mt. Zion Summerfield Colfax	G. J. L. Brown
Strickland	Barron's Chapel Clear Creek Ball Spring Hill Bentley Bethel	E. W .Corley
Mt. Nebo	Mt. Nebo Bethel Beulah Union	I. A .Patton
Grayson	Grayson Shiloh Kelly Willow Grove Mt. Pleasant	J. W. Lee

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Union Grove	Union Grove Concord Odom's School H'se Walker's	F. C. Futrell
Spring Lake	Bethlehem Shiloh Heflin	C. R .Dobbs
Urania	Urania	Mrs. M. E. Bartlett
Mangham Mission	Cedar Grove Stout's View Forest	J. M. Strozier
Sunrise Mission	Sunrise	Mrs. S. A. Brady
Fish Creek	Fish Creek Hollen's Chapel	J. R. Strozier
Holley Wood Mis'n	Holly Wood	L. H .Swazzee
Shady Grove Mis'n	Shady Grove Ebenezer Gray School House	Arthur McVey
Roberts Mission	Roberts	W. W. Harris
Callion Mission	Callion	T. A .Honeycutt

EVANGELISTS

J. C. Hearn	Mrs. M. E .Perdue
Mrs. M. E. Bartlett	Mrs. S. A. Brady
J. A .Riley	Mrs. Lula Wardlow
Mrs. Ada Johnson	J. M. Owen

CONFERENCE MISSIONARIES

O. W. Nolley	H. H. Cantley
J. F. Reid	J. Chessley Little
J. A. Holt	V. O. Jones

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

Miss Mattie Long

Miss Florence Williams

SUPERANNUATED

A. G. Austin

W. P. Mason

W. M. Platt

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

L. H. Swazze, Mgr. Home of the Good Samaritan.

J. R. Downs, Rescue Missionary.

J. W. Terry, Organizer of Purity League.

Lawrence C. Little, Field Secretary All South Christian Endeavor, 5 Ferger Bldg., Chattanooga, Tenn.

W. Talmage Methvin, Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas.

WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

W. S. Dunn

J. F. Hearn

W. F. Fordham

R. L. Gunter

E. O. Hearn

H. A. Cherry

D. T. Ponder

D. S. Johnson

O. W. Stewart

J. T. Odom

P. A. Smart

John T. Smith

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STATISTICAL TABLE

PASTORS	CHARGES	Organized Churches at Present	Itinerate Ministers	Local Preachers	Members on Roll Last Conference	Members on Roll Now	Accessions	Discontinued	Conversions	Baptized	Number of Sunday Schools	Sunday School Organized	Number on Roll Last Conference	Officers and Teachers	Pupils—All Departments	Present Membership	Number of C. E. Societies	Membership of Junior Society	Members of Y. P. S.	Number in Missionary Societies	Estimated Value of Church Buildings	Value of Parsonages	Present Indebtedness	Paid on Indebtedness and Improvements	Insured for	Church Periodicals Read by Members	President's Salary Paid	President's Salary Assessed	Annual Conference Budget Paid	Annual Conf. Budget Assessed	Pastor's Salary Paid	Pastor's Salary Promised	Miscellaneous Funds	India Mission
F. Lyman Shows.....	Pollock Station	1	1	90	92	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	170	6	100	106	1	1	33	2000	3000	2500	150	10	3000	26	\$70.00	\$80	\$32.60	\$90	\$820.00	\$750	\$135.50	\$32.00
S. C. Pritchett.....	Monroe	2	1	70	68	22	2	60	11	1	1	1	186	12	110	122	1	1	33	3500	1000	253	277	2600	6	45.40	40	56.46	78	439.00	560	74.75	.....
J. C. Hearn.....	Jonesboro	4	1	226	162	7	7	1	2	2	2	2	186	12	110	122	1	1	33	3500	1000	.....	.....	.....	6	236.26	100	50.00	78	626.00	560	6.00	.....
J. W. Lee	Grayson	5	1	101	105	9	5	5	3	2	1	1	130	12	130	156	2	25	20	2000	1000	50	400	1500	23	75.00	75	63.00	101	300.00	900	350.00	50.00	
A. Deville.....	Mt. Nebo	4	2	2160	160	3	3	3	3	2	4	1	90	6	90	96	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	53.00	65	.....	.....	357.00	325	55.00	245.00
E. W. Corley.....	Strickland	6	.....	220	223	3	.....	6	2	4	1	1	75	12	75	125	.....	.....	.....	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00	100	12.00	.....	571.00	615	.....	.....
E. A. Dennard.....	Arcadia	4	.....	2125	148	23	.....	.....	2	1	1	1	.....	6	60	66	.....	.....	.....	2250	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	99.00	75	20.50	.....	325.25	305	.....	.....
G. J. L. Brown.....	Fish Creek	4	1	75	83	8	.....	8	6	1	1	1	.....	6	.....	83	.....	.....	.....	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	2.00	.....	221.40	290	.....	.....
J. H. Lewis.....	Antioch	4	1	148	22	.....	.....	15	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	71	250	.....	.....	1	.....	55	.....	.....	251.00	270	.....	.....
B. F. Griffin.....	Queen City	3	5	2123	138	18	8	35	11	1	1	1	5	45	50	.....	.....	.....	3750	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	3	58.75	58	10.00	.....	160.35	200	150.00	.....
A. T. Ezell.....	Bela	2	2	389	92	3	.....	1	1	2	1	1	10	50	60	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	25	31.14	.....	159.44	.....	71.00	.....
F. C. Futrell.....	Hick's (circuit)	4	.....	1150	.....	.....	11	.....	1	1	1	1	.....	32	3	32	38	2	30	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	142.00	400	.....	.....
J. R. Downs.....	Luna	1	1	35	35	3	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	6.00	.....	2.00	.....	40.00	.....	60.00	.....	
W. S. Dunn.....	Sardis Mission	1	.....	121	14	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....
J. F. Murrell.....	Rice	2	.....	1135	139	4	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....
W. W. Harris.....	Roberts Mission	1	.....	150	49	.....	1	2	.....	1	1	1	.....	5	60	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	30	25.00	.....	1.00	50	50.00	.....
B. Deville.....	Spring Lake	4	.....	1160	155	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	850	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10.50	65	9.75	.....	285.50	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. Ada Johnston.....	Mangham Mission	1	1	120	30	10	.....	2	2	1	1	1	.....	8	35	43	.....	.....	.....	1600	250	160	.....	.....	1	5.00	.....	10.00	.....	12.50	.....	.....	.....
M. E. Bartlett.....	Urania Mission	1	1	15	20	7	2	7	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	10.00	.....	292.25	.....	.....	.....

H. A. HAMBY, Stationer.
MRS. LULA WARDLAW, Assistant.

This table is incomplete since it shows no report from Union Grove and Chatham Circuits.—Conf. Sec.
The sum of \$50.00 paid on President's salary is not included in above table.

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